## Connections for Our Future Statement of Principles for Dual Use

WHEREAS, we agree that this priceless corridor must be preserved in public ownership; and

WHEREAS, we agree that the future of this corridor is as a dual use transportation corridor that should ultimately be rails with trails; and

WHEREAS, we agree that any trail use, whether paved, gravel or other surface, before rail use is interim; and

WHEREAS, we agree that any trail before rail must be publicly marked as interim including with signage that clearly designates the corridor for future rail use; and

WHEREAS, we agree that when sufficient resources are found to fund modern rail use in the corridor, the trail shall be rerouted within the ROW to accommodate rail use; and

WHEREAS, we agree that while the Wilburton Tunnel must be removed to accommodate the widening of Interstate 405, a replacement structure sufficient to support rail with trail use across Interstate 405 should be restored; and

WHEREAS, we agree to advocate for funds for rail use at the local, regional, state and federal levels to accomplish these principles of dual use; and

WHEREAS, we agree to reflect these principles of dual use in our future actions including legislative agendas, legal documents, MOUs and budgetary requests;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** we the undersigned do hereby commit to this statement of principles on this the <u>13<sup>th</sup></u> day of June, 2007.

Ron Sims

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